



Connecticut Fire Department Instructors Association

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To: Public Health Committee

March 14, 2014

From: CFDIA BOD and Members

Subject: EMS PSA Task Force Final Report **HB5542**

LETTER OF SUPPORT

I am writing this letter of support on behalf of the CFDIA to the Public Health Committee to sustain HB 5542 which concerns the five recommendations from the Final Report of the EMS PSA Task Force.

Recommendations #1-4 have been generally accepted as positive changes for the State of Connecticut.

Recommendation #5: Alternative Provision of PSA Responsibilities

This particular recommendation has been the topic of concern and the most controversial. Based on the recent explanation that clarifies Recommendation #5 does not take away any of the rights or responsibilities of a current PSAR and simply allows a municipality the right to request consideration from DPH on a plan for the alternative provision of EMS delivery- **the CFDIA does hereby endorse the general scope and intent of HB5542.**

Respectfully,

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